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#### The Danger of Armistice

view to obtaining a rest for recuperation able, under which we would take up arms. solely. It is hinted that the United States may be asked to further the proposal of an armistice. Again, this may or may not be

One thing is true, that an armistice for the chinery of war for a bitter resumption in the spring would not be in the slightest an advantage to peace or the happiness of peoples. The United States should not, and doubtless will not, permit itself to be drawn into a persuasive campaign in that direction. Anything that will strengthen arms will prolongslaughter. If there must be exhaustion or annihilation, let it be now, and the sooner the better.

### His Wish Granted

HAVE you ever read "Appel des Armes, the French philologist and historian, Joseph ness of conflict under the open heavens. At the end of the book there is a fervent prayer his name to the person he wished to see. to the powers that control all destinies that he may meet his death on the battlefield.

rush of the enemy. Leading one group about on the other end of the line. the guns, standing their ground even to the with his face upturned and one hand clutch | would reap a large and sudden fortune. ing the wheel of the gun carriage.

Lieutenant Dsichari's death had come

## No Interference With Belgian Relief

no interference from the German military augium. That opinion, based on expressions of a lavish hand to soldiers. American diplomats and supported, be it said. by all the probabilities, has had official veri-

The Kaiser's government now announces gians, and will give those intrusted with the problem of distribution every possible assist ance. No other attitude could have been day. taken by a civilized nation, however maddened by war and all the horrors that war drags in its train.

Citizens of Virginia need have no apprehenfund will be diverted from their destined purpose to the war chest of the invader. Every dollar that is given will be applied to the relief of suffering and want almost unparalleled in modern history.

## Attacks on the Long Vacation

IN half a dozen sections of the country there is a revival of the agitation, that has had many sporadic existences in the past, against the long school vacation. It is declared by its opponents to be uneconomic in the wors: sense, and to represent an actual waste from which the ordinary American child finds it difficult to recover, and frequently never recovers.

It is obvious enough that the special considerations which in the days of the founda tion of the American school system demanded an extended vacation throughout the summer months no longer obtain. Then the farmer's boys, and girls also perhaps, were needed in the harvest field and for the performance of the farm tasks that the harvest season involved. No such necessity now confronts our overwhelmingly urban population. It has not been observed that the requirements of the public schools are so onerous as to keeps on rivaling Banquo's ghost. threaten the collapse of the normal child's mental or physical health. What the system, with its long vacation and frequent holidays, actually does, according to its critics, is to deprive the ordinary young American of one- they ever have in the past. sixth of the time he can afford to devote to

his education. vored is a school year divided into four terms; of its popularity after December 1. of twelve weeks each, separated by a week's vacation. Its advocates contend that this affords ample periods of rest, far more ad- when he wanted the cotton loan fund comvantageous, in the aggregate, than the three- pleted.

months-taken-at-a-gulp of the existing cus-

tom. Any such radical change as this is a matter, of course, for the consideration of the experts, but to the lay mind it seems to possess many of the elements of sound sense. It has gained a place, at any rate, in the thought of some advanced authorities on education. Perhaps Richmond will hear something about it at the Virginia Educational Conference. which assembles here next week.

#### Injustice to President Wilson

Wilson has determined to be drawn into diplomatic salt as the taste of the reader may indicate. A knowledge of Woodrow Wilson's character, as obtained from his whole public course and conduct of affairs, precludes unqualified acceptance of such a statement as embodying the administration's views.

If the President has given his sanction to any announcement of this general character, it pro ly was restricted to the circumstance. ader which the launch of the battle-35 ship Termessee was fired on by Turkish land .25 forces. It may well have been that he expressed confidence that this incident could be, and would be, explained in a way that would rob it of its most offensive aspect, or, at the worst, as the act of some overzealous subordinate, which would be promptly disavowed and apologized for by superior authority.

All the probabilities point to such an explanation, accompanied by suitable apology and reparation, being given. Of course, it will be accepted by this government, which is quite capable of understanding the excited state of the public mind in Turkey and making some reasonable allowance for its pro-

To say, however, that this country would permit itself to become involved in war with Turkey "under no circumstances" does not express the nation's view of the matter, and it may be said with equal certainty that it C ERMANY is said to have exhausted every does not express the view of the President.

We are a peaceful people, and wars of aggres-Belgium and Russia. This may or may not sion or conquest have no part in our theory be true. In any event, the latest rumor from of government, but, despite this, there are a French source is that the Fatherland is now plenty of circumstances, some of which, as working toward a winter armistice, with a applied to Turkey, are quite easily conceiv-

#### Bad Manners at the Telephone

F there is one thing more maddening than another, in this world of storm and stress, purpose of resting and strengthening the ma- and grief and tears, it is the constant illmanners of users of the telephone. Despite the fact that this instrument has become a necessary part of our business and social which is the right foundation of every so- cat too many! cial code.

The telephone boor we have always with us. Men and women who on other occasions are scrupulous in their observance of the niceties and the reserves of human intercourse forget them all as soon as they pick up the receiver. One of the worst of the breed is the individual who summons you to a book by Ernest Dsichari, grandson of the telephone and then demands that you identify yourself, before consenting to state E. Renan? It is the work of a man who his business. Of course, he would not becould see glory in battle, who sensed the big- have that way if he entered another man's office or home, but would send in his card or

Another violator of the proprieties directs the operator at his office switchboard to "Get Toward the end of August the allies were Mr. Jones on the phone," and then proceeds retreating in Belgium, and certain of the to forget all about it, perhaps to leave his fighters were making a desperate effort to desk, so that when the unhappy Jones is defend the big guns against the irresistible dragged from his affairs no one wants him

These are just specimen offenders. There touch of steel, was a lieutenant of artillery, are plenty of others. Somebody ought to

## Iron Crosses

THE theory that military medals are valuable in direct proportion to the infrequency of their bestowal is not respected by the Kaiser, who may safely be assumed IN the face of rather positive statements to to have studied this matter as he has every the contrary from London and The Hague, other detail of war. He presents the Iron The Times-Dispatch ventured the other day Cross, a decoration which rewards conspicu- Federal penitentiary." ous service in war, in what amounts to whole-sale lots. The entire ship's company of the Emden, for example, this decoration had been to express the opinion that there would be our service in war, in what amounts to wholethorities with the distribution of relief sup- Emden, for example, this decoration had been plies sent from this country to scricken Bel- awarded, which has also been presented with Sellers, "There's millions in it."

In this the German practice differs radically from the English bestowal of the Victoria Cross, which is also the reward of valor. This medal is given with a reluctant hand, that it will welcome all relief that private never to many men in a regiment or on a agencies of benevolence may send to the Bel- ship. It has been awarded only once or into a big stick the cost of lumber is dreadfully twice in the present war, whereas the Iron high. Cross finds new wearers pretty much every

The resemblance between the Iron Cross and the Victoria Cross is probably not as close as had been supposed. The German decoration rewards military service of any sort, it sion that contributions to the Belgian relief appears to be in a way the insignia of a sort of select military order, whereas the English medal is, as its inscription sets forth, "For Valor," and so is more likely to be won by a subordinate officer or private than by a general. In any case, the generosity with which the Kaiser distributes the medals is an inter-

Authorities declare that in properly coo'ed meat there is no danger of foot-and-mouth disease infection and that it is perfectly safe to eat it. The only other preliminary question is the ability to buy it.

The British War Office keeps on denying that a Russian army passed through England to aid the allies in France. And the rumor

Recruits to the "Do Your Christmas Shopping Early Cause" probably will confer more happiness at the coming holiday season than

Throwing waste paper and other rubbish The substitute plan most generally fa- on the streets is one sport likely to lose some

Secretary McAdoo knew just where to apply

## SONGS AND SAWS

### Let Him Beware!

Wife has no right, a Buckeye judge decrees. To empty hubby's pockets gainst his wishes. Nor may she, while she shines at suffrage teas. Compel her tyrant man to wash the dishes But when The Cause, in its assured expansion, Has forced Ohio to its stubborn knees That judge will mourn he ever gave his sanction To such outgrown and foolish views as these

#### Better Protection.

She-What have you done with that pretty-bin you used to wear? He-Why it didn't seem exactly adapted to his weather, so I left it with my uncle when



I took my winter overcoat out of storage. Cheer Up! Cow of my heart, from out

Shines forth a soul that's miles and miles Above this world of gnats and Oh, why so rare thy tender smiles?

## Relping Some.

Grubbs-What is your special cause of Thanksgiving this year? Stubbs--Some of our relatives are not coming to eat dinner with us, and we shall be able to get along with one turkey.

#### Best for Them.

The seeker after knowledge hailed his father settled. just as that tired business man was about to

### The Pessimist Says:

Why can't something be done for the spokes-men of the Republican party? They shrick calamity so much that l'begin' to feel they are infringing my copyright.

No Time to Linger. Said an invalid soldier at York:
"Of course, it's outer easy to tork,
But the fact of the thing,
When the shells start to sing, Is that you want to run-not to work."

THE TATTLER.

## Chats With Virginia Editors

Editor George Greene, of the Clifton Forge Review, who, like Editor Dick Beirne of the Covington Virginian, has a keen ear for heavy firing in the neighborhood of Staunton, comes across with this; "How Long Will the War Last?" Inquires the Scientific American, Which war, the one in Staunton or the European war? As to the latter we might make a near guess, but the former appears to have no end." haps the discerning Greene can tell us how life, we appear not to have learned to use it long the fray lasted when there were two cats with that consideration and regard for others in Kilkenny and each thought there was one

> The Petersburg Index-Appeal thus clears up a mystery: "The toy factories of Binghamton, N. Y., are working three shifts in order to fill orders. And the toymakers of Germany are starving." Now we know where the new me-Now we know where the new mechanical toys, "made in Germany," come from.

> Commenting upon the free-for-all Red-Head Defenders' Championship Contest, the L'ewport News - Press says: "It is one of the wonders of the times that in all this illuminating disussion, there has been no mention of the white horse." Meditating upon it, we must admit there is "horse sense" in the reflection.

"Roosevelt hasn't told us the names of those two powers which are planning to capture New York and San Francisco and levy ransom," the

Staunton Dally News points out. Maybe he is stoundering in a river of doubt.

The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot ushers out the Totter incident in this manner: "Too much notice has been devoted by the press to the insolence displayed by a Boston negro towards president Wilson. Trotter is a chronic grumbler and agitator whose methods are looked upon by the more intelligent and conservative of his and agitator whose methods are looked upon by the more intelligent and conservative of his and agitator whose methods are looked upon by the more intelligent and conservative of his face." Fortunately, Trotter is a form of black maio that does not thrive in any community, North or South.

The Covington Virginian says: "The Richmond Is beginning to feel the effects of a new era, Richmond Is beginning to feel the effects of a new era, Richmond Is beginning to feel the effects of a new era, Richmond Is as mucheswelled up over that Federal reserve bank as Atlanta was a decade or so ago when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new strains of the street when she was selected as the site for the new when she was selected as the site for the new strains of the street when she was selected as the site for the new strains of the street when she stands into action, is the suzard the surface is subj who never faltered, who gave nothing, but start a school of telephone manners. If the President Wilson. Trotter is a chronic grumbler was fixed to his post with a rigidity that faile, only when, riddled with lead, he fell instruction, the founder of that institute by the more intelligent and conservative of his

preserve bank as Atlanta was a decade or so ago when she was selected as the sile for the new Pederal penitentiary. Nevertheless, Richmond was selected as the selection of the mean property of the property the Kaiser distributes the medals is an interesting sidelight both on his attitude towards his armies and on the German temperament.

In this conflict the war offices of all the nations employed, save that of the French, have displayed great imaginative power, but if the palm must be awarded it should go to the Russian word-painters. It is a curious fact that the Prench, in the popular mind the most volatile of nations, should have revealed, in this great national emergency, the largest capacity for patient endurance and restraint. only excuse for the attitude of the Afro-Ameri-cans in the Hub is that they have been led astray by the example of certain thin-skinned representatives of certain white races in the United States who have shown similar sensibeen led of men. tiveness .- Detroit Free Press.

Professors and Their Influence

That the showing made by the professors in relation to the war is one that cannot be pointed to with pride is only too true. But in a certain way the charge that

Influence in a certain way the charge that this shows them to be little better armed against intellectual weaknesses than "the man in the street" presents a close analogy to what we often hear said about the influence of the daily press. Again and again it has happened that with the whole, or almost the whole, of what is spoken of as the influential press arrayed upon one side in a campaign, the election has gone overwhelmingly in favor of the opposite side, and immediately there arises. the opposite side, and immediately there arises a chorus of voices declaring that the influence of the press has, been shown to be nil. This sounds very plausible, but, nevertheless, at the very next election, all parties and all candidates as cager as ever to get the support of these same newspapers whose influence had just been of his latest book the word 'fun proved to be nothing at all. What is the explanation of this phenomenon? It is simple word 'reaction' only twice."—Life.

enough. The truth is, that the press has a great deal of influence, within certain limits; but that, as against the deepest or most pervasive currents of general feeling, it is powerless to contend. And, in somewhat the same way, what we can expect from university training, and from the habits of thought of the scientist and the scholar, is a certain superiority in mental balance, in both the desire and the ability to view a question from all sides and to refrain from judging without knowledge. Of this superiority, the world is constantly getting the benefit in a thousand ways, though it be true that in the face of such a cataclysm in human affairs as we are now some through; the affairs as we are now going through, the "painful inch" thus gained counts for little or othing.-New York Evening Press.

# War News Fifty Years Ago

(From the Richmond Dispatch, Nov. 20, 1864.)

There were renewed indications yesterday that the enemy was preparing for a new attack on the north side of the James. It is pretty generally agreed that they are soon to make this attack, and our people are getting ready for them. Federal troops, reported by deserters to be from Sheridan's army in the Valley, were being massed yesterday on the lines between Fort Harrison and James River.

All of the alleged new movement on the north side of the James looking to the capture of Richmond by the Federals depends on Butler's Dutch Gap canal. Can he complete it in time for the purpose of bringing up the Federal fleet to assist the land forces, and will if be any account to the enemy for that purpose if he does complete it, are the questions yet to be

just as that tired business man was about to sink into an armchair.

"Say, dad," he exclaimed, "is football really the greatest of all games?"

"That," was the response, "depends somewhat on the point of view. Unquestionably, it is the greatest game for the doctors."

The Northern papers, just received, bring very contradictory reports of Sherman's movements in the South. One report says he is going to the Atlantic Coast, either to Charleston or Savannah, and another says he will go north-ward, with Lynchburg as his object point, the greatest game for the doctors." The Northern papers, just received, bring very

Lieutenant-Colonel Ad Witcher, in his operations in Western Virginia, has, like Forrest, branched out in the naval business. He reports officially that on the 7th instant he captured and burned two Federal steamers on the Big Sandy River, the confiagration taking place at Buffalo Shoals. The steamers burned were the Barnum and the Fawn, and both were heavily

Barnum and the Fawn, and both were heavily laden with small arms, ammunition and supplies for the Federal troops.

General Robert Ould and General Grant had an interview the other day on flag of truce boat, concerning the relief of prisoners on both sides. General Ould made a Christian proposition to General Grant, and the latter, after listening to it, said: "All you ask shall be compiled with." Without going into detail, it may be said that under this agreement 1,006 hales of cotton will be immediately shipped from Mobile to New York for the relief of Confederate prisoners distributed throug.out the North. General Trimble, now confined at Fort Warren, will be parcied to take charge of this intellectual grasp, and what sets internal and the proposed in profits, and never are not expressed in profits, and never are not expressed in profits, and never the serving these rules on terms of absont found in ledgers, their aspirations are not expressed in profits, and never the serving these rules on terms of absont found in ledgers, their aspirations are not expressed in profits, and never the serving these rules on terms of absont found in ledgers, their aspirations are not expressed in profits, and never the serving these rules on terms of absont found in ledgers, their aspirations are not expressed in profits, and never the serving these rules on terms of absont found in ledgers, their aspirations are not expressed in profits, and never the serving these rules on terms of absont found in ledgers, their aspirations are not expressed in profits, and never the serving these rules on terms of absont found in ledgers, their aspirations are not expressed in profits, and never the serving these rules on terms of absont found in ledgers, their aspirations are not expressed in profits, and never the serving these rules on terms of absont found in ledgers, their aspirations of purchase and the violation of this treaty as in serving these rules on terms of absont found in ledgers, their aspirations of purchase are not expres rederate prisoners distributed throughout the North. General Trimble, now confined at Fort Warren, will be paroled to take charge of this cotton and sell it on the New York market, using the proceeds to buy clothing and other supplies for Confederate prisoners. At the same time, a shipload of supplies for Federal prisoners in the South will leave New York for some in the South will leave New York for some Southern port.

The city markets were better supplied with eatables yesterday than for a week past, and prices were marked down some by the venders. Good-beef sold for \$3.50 and \$4 per pound, a reduction of \$1 per pound since three days ago.

### The Voice of the People

## To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch:

Sir,—Permit a reader to heartily indorse your sturdy opposition to the conversion of Bank Street into a buzz-wagon stand. This intended ordinance is another place of "class legislation" on the part of our learned (sic) civic fathers. Observant citizens have long ago of fire apparatus. Again, fire plugs on Bank Street are vital factors in combatting Main and Cary Streets conflagrations. Are these plugs to be eternally obstructed or abandoned? The aspect of the obstruction and hindrance of progress of fire apparatus is, it would seem, more vital than the "kick" of the merchants located on thoroughfare in question.

It is well to note that the greatest fire hazard in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the city is abutted by Bank Street and in the condenses, that queer newspaper to man since Lincand unconventional uncon

to-day.

The women who have gotten loose from the Old World habit of thought, demand equal suffrage as a right. It is their natural and inaleniable right! The other women who are indifferent, or antisuffrage, need the vote for its ists of Europe, pledged to peace, swept social value for the ballot means social respons. Old World habit of thought, downward and infrage as a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. Even as we have seen the second at a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. It is their natural and infrage as a right. It is

Charlottesville, Va., November 17, 1914.

# The BrightSide of Life

"Don't you object to paying this war tax?"
"Well, I don't know. But I reckon I'd much rather have the tax than the war."-Detroit

split some wood. "Er-I mean an epicure!" the man hastened to correct himself.-Puck.

Doesn't Repeat Enough.
"Prof. Myndo is a leader among the phychologists, don't you think?"
"I think nothing of the sort. On page 157 of his latest book the word function' occurs only four times and on page 304 he uses the

# Victims of the Foot and Mouth Disease

One of the hay's Best Cartoons.



-From Kansas City Journal.

## OUR "VISIONARY" PRESIDENT

From an Article by George Creel in Century Magazine

with brains. Others have matched him in intellectual grasp, and what sets him apart, even as it set Lincoln apart, is nothing else than an exact comprehension of passionate idealism as the animating impulse of America.

Vision, spirit, ideals, without the clue afforded by these dream words Woodrow Wilson is a blank, the United States stammering and unintelligible. Democracy never has been, and never can be, other than a theory of spiritual. Democracy never has been, and never can be, other than a theory of spiritual progress, and those who view it as a mere program of prosperity place their feet in a blind path.

process of idealfsm? It is unthinkable. Opposition was relaxed because they felt the menace of a people's anger.

Too much significance cannot be attached to this victory. The issue clean.

of Woods.

or Woods.

the boom of the first American gun. War is always glorious until the lists of dead and wounded begin to come, and it must be remembered also that for years it has been the custom for public men to soothe the people with the laudanum of brag and bluster

Medified.

"I'm a glutton for work!" boasted the man. But his wife overhead him, and asked him to split some wood.

"Er—I mean an epicure!" the man hastened to correct himself.—Puck.

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"Prof. Mynde is a leader among the phychologists, don't you think?"

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"It is true enough that there were no more tree from the implication that is fined from the implication that of self-interest. It is only in the unthinking passions of idealism that colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the aristocratic features of American life; Mr. Roosevelt colored and obscured the man hastened that there is found the courage to do the right thing rather than that which is expellent and opportunistic.

The issue of the Tanama Canal tolls the hour of revolt was hasteled them so perfectly that there were on the policy of self-thing re

tween an awakened idealism and an intrenched materialism. Who can have

tached to this victory. The issue was clean-cut between money and justice, between practicality and principles, be-What larger confirmation is needed than the present impregnable position of Woodrow Wilson? He lacks color, exhibits no mastery of specta ular it may be seen how little they ex-

that all intelligence is vested in a choice few or that prosperity is a class that the choice few or that prosperity is a class product, and even to-day he betrays peo- a feeling that—the radical movement is the pet property of high-minded lords of the manor with leisure on their

hands.

As a matter of fact, there is every ground for the assertion that Mr. Rosevelt's contributions to the cause of democracy were far less important than those of Mr. Taft. Where the former worked in kaleidoscopic colors, the latter's effects were in unrelieved black and white. Mr. Taft's belief in the necessity and virtue of a ruling class was religious in its fervor, and the laudanum of brag and bluster

Judged by every fact in the case,
Woodrow Wilson's repudiation of Huerta was in no sense the result of a carefully reasoned determination, but unmistakably the instinctive recoil of the democratic spirit. Mental processes are never tree from the impingements of self-interest. It is only

merged ideals.

It is true enough that there were no its in that clause in the Hay-Paunce-foto treaty which said that "the canal shall be free and open to vessels of tainties of a lifetime.